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**Patent Application**

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Group: 2132  
Examiner: Minh Dinh

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Digital Signature Mediation Method, Digital Signature  
Mediation System, Information Terminal and Storage Medium

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Submitted herewith are the following documents relating to the above-identified patent application:

- (1) Amendment After Allowance Under 37 C.F.R. §1.312 with enclosure(s).

There is no additional fee due in conjunction with the Amendment. In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit **International Business Machines Corporation Deposit Account No. 50-0510** as required to correct the error.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowability dated April 29, 2005 in the above-referenced application, Applicants submit herewith a new declaration. The new declaration corrects the application number of the foreign priority application, as requested by the Examiner (Notice of Allowability; page 12, paragraph 3).

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